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1. From early January to 25 February 1951 the Huang Ta Hua Company*, Ice House Street, Hong Kong, purchased 3,200 tons of caustic soda for shipment to the Chinese mainland. This company is operated by the Chinese Communist East China Trade Bureau under the joint management of SHIH Jen-po (施仁博) and YANG Chih-kang**.
2. Four narcotics dealers in Hong Kong, CH'EN Yao-shun (陳堯舜), LI O-kuei (李阿貴), CH'EN K'un-yuan (陳坤元) and HUANG Hai-shan (黃海珊), make use of the Ta Ch'ang (大昌) and Ta Hua (大華) Companies for disposition of their merchandise.
3. These companies, which are controlled by Chinese Communists, use their profits from the sale of narcotics to purchase military supplies in Hong Kong for the Chinese Communists. In mid-February the Ta Ch'ang Company bought 200 sets of truck tires which were turned over to the Nan Hsin Company*** for delivery to the mainland.
4. The Ta Ch'ang office is in a building opposite the Chung Ying (中央) Hotel, Locke Road, Hong Kong****, and is under the joint management of LIU Pai-hua (劉伯華) and SIAO Ch'uan-pao (邵全保). The Ta Hua Company is on the third floor at 22 Des Voeux Road, Hong Kong, and is managed by CHAO Chung-ti (趙忠迪).
5. In mid February 1951 a Shanghai firm contracted with a company in Hong Kong for the purchase of 2,700 tons of armor steel plate, 600 sets of automobile tires, and 2,000 tons of copper rods, all British products. Delivery was to

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be made in Shanghai from Hong Kong.

6. In mid-February 1951 a company in Peiping contracted with a long Kong firm for the purchase of 20 motorcars. Delivery was to be made to Peiping from Hong Kong in late March.

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**** [REDACTED] comment. There is a Look Road in Shimshatshui, Kowloon, and a Lookhart Road in Wanchai, Hong Kong. The hotel could not be identified.

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